BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2002-166-C - ORDER NO. 2002-598

AUGUST 23, 2002

IN RE:	BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Complainant,) ORDER HOLDING) MATTER IN) ABEYANCE
	vs.)
	WorldCom, Inc.,))
	Respondent.)
)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on a letter from a representative of WorldCom, Inc. (WorldCom or the Company), who notes that WorldCom has filed a Notice under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Pursuant to the provisions of 11 U.S.C. Section 362, the bankruptcy petition filed by WorldCom operates as a stay of any further proceeding in the present docket, according to WorldCom. WorldCom concludes that no further action can be taken in this docket at the present time. BellSouth apparently agrees with this position.

Accordingly, this matter shall be held in abeyance until further Notice, due to the bankruptcy filing by WorldCom. WorldCom shall inform this Commission as soon as possible of any future change in its status under the Bankruptcy Code.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the

Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Mignon L. Clyburn

Chairman

ATTEST:

Gary E. Walsh

Executive Director

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